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Subject: Re: Charles Ernest Schmidt info

Sherry,

Thanks kindly for assisting Abbie Johnson. She's a real pistol.
I will contact Gail White as I have mucho info or know where she can
go, especially if she is related to the Schmidt family.

Ray

----- Original Message -----

From: Else Martin
To: rbell@datasync.com
Sent: Thursday, May 30, 2002 9:56 AM
Subject: FW: Charles Ernest Schmidt info

Hi Ray,

Once again, we're asking your advice. Else and I wondered if you might have come across this guy in your research. I'm sure that you recognize the name as the author of "Ocean Springs - French Beachhead."

I found an obituary in the July 30, 1886 Pascagoula Democrat Star (and a short notice in the July 30, 1886 issue) for a Charles E. Schmidt, age 36, a native of New Orleans, died July 22, 1886 in Ocean Springs. His obit mentions children, but does not name them. I imagine that this may be the grandfather of the Charles who was born in 1904, and if you don't have anything on the family, I'll research it further. The Department has been so busy lately, though, we thought we'd check with you first. Hope you don't mind.

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The Mississippi Press

Loc

Former Ocean Springs mayor, inventor dies

Coroner tries to identify man's remains

OCEAN SPRINGS — Charles Ernest Schmidt, an inventor, historian and former mayor, has died at the age of 83.

A lifelong resident of Ocean Springs, he was a member of the St. Alphonsus Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus.

In his early life, Schmidt attended Tulane University where he received a degree in mechanical engineering.

In 1934, he designed a blood pump for his friend and roommate, internationally known Texas surgeon Dr. Michael DeBakey. The pump was later used as a heart and lung pump.

In 1937, he opened the Bay Bridge Tavern, a seafood restaurant on the beach in Ocean Springs. He ran the restaurant until he was called to the armed forces where he served as a lieutenant in the Navy during World War II in the Pacific.

On his return from the war, the restaurant was sold to the state of Mississippi for the construction of the present Ocean Springs-Biloxi Bridge.

In 1951, he invented the Hydrolevel, a water level used in building trades. From this, he started the Hydrolevel Company from which he retired in 1982.

Schmidt, more affectionally known as "Uncle Ernie," served as alderman at-large for Ocean



C. E. Schmidt

Springs from 1947-48 and served as mayor from 1961-65. He also wrote many of the zoning ordinances that are now used by the city.

As a local historian and authority on Ocean Springs, Schmidt wrote and has published the book *Ocean Springs French Beachhead*, a history of the city he loved so much.

Schmidt died Thursday. Bradford O'Keefe Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The skeletal remains of a human found near Greenwood Cemetery on Frank Griffin Road in Escatawpa on Dec. 24 are believed to be those of a male Caucasian from 25 to 30 years old, Medical Examiner David Miller said Saturday.

"He would have been about 25 to 30 years old at the time of his death, which would now make him anywhere from 31 to 38 years old, had he lived," Miller said.

Miller told *The Mississippi Press* Saturday night that he and an anthropologist had spent all day Saturday in Biloxi studying the skeletal remains in an effort to identify the man, believed to have had sandy blond hair, and whose remains are about six to eight years old.

He said the man ranged in height from 5-foot-3 to 5-foot-6, and based on clothing recovered, weighed 155 to 165 pounds.

Measurements of the skeletal remains indicated the person may have been right-handed.

The clothing found was a blue, cotton stadium-type coat with a beige, red, blue and green acrylic poly lining. It is size 40, with a Blue Belle label.

Miller said the exact manner in which the man died is still being investigated.

Hunters Roderick L. Rouse of Escatawpa and William L. Landrum of Gautier discovered the remains on the north side of the cemetery near the Escatawpa River, about 10 a.m. on Christmas Eve.

Miller and sheriff's officers went to the scene after the discovery was reported to the sheriff's department at 12:45 p.m. the same day.

Deaths

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SCHMIDT

Charles Ernest Schmidt, 83, Ocean Springs, died Jan. 14, 1988, in Ocean Springs. A lifelong resident of Ocean Springs, Mr. Schmidt was a former mayor, inventor and a historian. He was a member of St. Alphonsus

IN MEMORIAM

SCHENCK - 2nd
 Miss. Mr. Chas. E. Schenck
 the 2nd of July, 1932

In the midst of his suffering, this excommunicate has received a shock. His last feelings were aroused by a sermon of earnest exhortation for the love of God. It is all the more of life, was an earnest of pure holiness. He is dead! The summary of his many virtues which were not hid nor will not soon pass away. He was a true husband, a loving father, a kind neighbor and efficient citizen. All his duties were performed with quiet dignity and the modesty of his nature was manifest in all he did. Characteristic without ostentation, "his works will praise him in the gates." He leaves a kind wife and loving children and many friends to mourn his loss, but to them is left the remembrance of his many virtues, which will long be held a treasure trove. He worked with quiet dignity in the paths of charity and peace, he rose to the full fruition of a promised reward, his house is left desolate, a shadow has fallen in the consciousness of which a kind wife and little children mourn their irreparable loss.

The might of death, and sighs and tears
 May breathe a requiem o'er the sod,
 Where he is laid, but morn awakes,
 And lifts his soul to life and God!

Ocean Springs, Fla.

MARINE

OFFICE OF THE DEMOCRAT-STAR,
PASCAGOULA, July 30, 1896.

Report for the week ending July 29.

AKRYD.

Span bk Ross Y Carmen, Bilbao, 222 tons
from Havana to W Deany & Co, 23 inst.
Am sch Joseph Fitzpatrick, Kacker, 203
tons from Progresso to master, 27 inst.
Am sch L. N Dantzler, Alberta, 66 tons
from Key West to master, 23 inst.
Am sch Cors, Randall, 17 tons from Key
West to master, 26 inst.

~~CLEARANCE~~

Br bk Samantha, Simpson, 699 tons for
Dieppe by Henry with 700, 561 feet lam-
ber valued at \$749, 26 inst.
Nor bk Nora, Hassell, 783 tons for Fleet-
wood by Hunter with 567, 185 feet lam-
ber valued at \$466, 27 inst.

Am sch Wm J Lermund, Hubber, 843 tons
for Wilmington by W Denny & Co with
65,091¹/₂ feet lumber.

Am sch Lizzie, Gandy, 69 tons for Key-
West by Dantzer with 90,000 feet lum-
ber.

Am sch Eollin Sanford, Davien, 93 tons for
Key West by Dautzler with 94,000 feet
lumber, 21 inst.

Am sch Margaretbe, Kuckens, 43 tons for
Key West by Dautzler with 79,777 feet
lumber, 25 inst.

Amack W A Watson. Broken, 39 tons for
Key West by Dantzer with 51,000 feet
lumber, 28 inst.

New Advertisements

MALE AND FEMALE

This Institution is located at HAYDEN

Pascagoula-Democrat Star

August 6, 1886

Webb, one vote; A. Poitevent, one vote. No. 3—John W. Moody, five votes. We ask to further report that the credentials of John W. Moody entitle him to cast five votes, and that Beats 4 and 5 are not represented.

On motion it was ordered that the report of the committee on credentials be received.

On motion W. A. Brown was elected permanent chairman, and J. S. Otis, permanent secretary.

On motion the Chair was authorized to appoint two delegates and two alternates from each Beat, and two from the county at large, to represent the Democracy of Hancock county, at the Democratic Congressional Convention of the sixth district of Mississippi, called to meet at Mississippi City, on the 18th day of August, 1886. In compliance thereto the Chair appointed the following named gentlemen (from a list handed him for appointment) to act as such: Beat No. 1—

John Poitevent and W. A. Brown; alternates, W. T. Stucker and A. S. S. Webb. No. 2—A. Poitevent and S. S. Webb; alternates, George Cramer and Renben Broad. No. 3—

John W. Moody and J. E. Wheat; alternates, Silas J. Leslie and Jas. L. McGehee. No. 4—S. L. Favre and Emile Cne; alternates, John Haas, jr., and P. J. Mauffray. No. 5—J. V. Toulme and Benjamin Delicieux; alternates, John Ioor and A. R. Wall. For county at large—A. E. Bulloch and H. S. Weston.

The delegates were uninstructed. The Chair appointed a new executive committee composed of the following gentlemen: Beat No. 1—Marion F. Baxter. No. 2—Adolph Poitevent. No. 3—John W. Moody. No. 4—Sam'l L. Favre. No. 5—J. V. Toulme.

On motion the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It is known to this convention that there is at this time another so-called Democratic convention assembled in this town, and

WHEREAS, It has admitted into deliberations one George Arbo, whom it is well known is a Republican, and who served on a committee to receive John R. Lynch, on July 22, 1884, and

WHEREAS, It has in opposition to all precedents and Democratic doctrines, and in violation of the rules governing conventions, denied representation upon the committee of credentials to Beats 1 and 3, two of the strongest Democratic Beats in this county, and in further violation did appoint upon a committee

COMMISSIONER, AS FOLLOWS: 14, 15
Whittington, at Whittington... 21, 23
Pearlington, at Logtown... 25
Beach, at Long Beach... 28, 29
Covington, at Mandeville... 28, 29
Williamsburg, at Bay Springs... Sept. 4, 5
Mt. Carmel, at Santos... 14, 15
St. Cottage, at Union Academy... 18, 19
China Grove, at China Grove... 23
Columbia, at Hopewell... 23, 26
B. S. RAYNER, P. E.

DIED.

At Ocean Springs, Miss., on Thursday, July 22, 1886, at 7 a.m., Mr. CHARLES E. SCHMIDT, aged 36 years, a native of New Orleans.

MARINE.

OFFICE OF THE DEMOCRAT-STAR,
PASCAGOULA, Aug. 6, 1886.
Report for the week ending Aug. 5.
CLEARANCES.

Am sch White Sea, Leo, 169 tons for Havana by W. Denny & Co. with 167,151 feet lumber valued at \$1839, 29th ult.
Am sch Annie & Millard, Steelman, 646 tons for Wilmington, Del., by W. Denny & Co. with 525,000 feet lumber, 28 ult.
Am sch Gov Lowry, Davidson, 38 tons for Key West by Irving with 44,190 feet lumber, 2 inst.
Am sch L. N. Dantzer, Alberts, 66 tons for Key West by Dantzer with 85,000 feet lumber, 3 inst.

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as big as a 250-pound girl on roller skates, and don't you forget it. What do they keep! Shoes, Hats, Umbrellas, Baskets and Satchels. You wouldn't believe there was so many shoes in the United States as I saw in that store, and at prices so low they would make your hair curl. They've got everything from the common brogans to the finest shoes for ladies, men and children. And hats—there's oceans of hats. You can buy the latest style straw hats there from 25c. to \$2.00 a piece. And you are sure to get your money's worth. If you'll look at this picture you'll see just about the way Uncle Zeke is going to make for the BIG RED STAR, corner of Canal and Exchange Place every time he goes to New Orleans.

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ALA
Bertha Mallette Haarala,
1095 Martin St.,
Pascagoula, died Saturday, Jan.
8, at her residence. Born
8, 1902, in Lucedale. Mrs.
Haarala had lived here 70 years.
She was a member of Eastlawn
Baptist Church and was a business-
woman for 40 years in Kreole.

is survived by one
son, Mrs. Maida H. Wright,
Pascagoula; three sisters, Mrs.
Mallette Broome-Baton
La., Mrs. Mattie Mallette
S., Gulf Shores, Ala., and
Mrs. Mallette Stewart,
Pascagoula; two brothers,
Robert Mallette, Fort
Beach, Fla., and Walter
Mallette, Cantonment,
Fla.; two granddaughters, Mrs.
Lloyd Jackson, and Mrs. Kathleen Wright
Pascagoula; a son, Adrian William
Moss Point; and two
grandchildren.

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Among his survivors is a
brother, Dr. Harry Schmidt,
Biloxi.

Visitation will be Sunday, Jan.
17, at Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral
Home, Porter Street, Ocean
Springs, from 6-9 p.m. Rosary
will be recited at 7:30 p.m.

Funeral service will be Mon-
day, Jan. 18, at 10:30 a.m. at St.
Alphonsus Catholic Church.

Interment will be in
Evergreen Cemetery.
Arrangements by
Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral
Home, Ocean Springs.

FERRIS BATEON, Wiggins.
Arrangements incomplete at
Moore Funeral Home, Wiggins.

ALEC BRINKLEY, 64, Bunker
Hill, Ill., formerly of Wiggins.
Funeral 2 p.m. today at Moore
Funeral Home, Wiggins.

**MRS. CARRIE LUCILLE
SMITH**, 76, Lucedale. Funeral at
11 a.m. Monday at First
Methodist Church, Lucedale.
Falls Funeral Home, Lucedale.

NENA ESTELLE PARKER,
87, Agricola community.
Funeral 2 p.m. today at Agricola
Baptist Church, Falls.

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being investigated.

Hunters Roderick L. Rouse of
Escatawpa and William L.
Landrum of Gautier discovered
the remains on the north side of
the cemetery near the
Escatawpa River, about 10 a.m.
on Christmas Eve.

Miller and sheriff's officers
went to the scene after the dis-
covery was reported to the
sheriff's department at 12:45
p.m. the same day.

Anyone who may have
knowledge of this victim, or any
information that will help in-
vestigators, should call the de-
tective division of the Jackson
County Sheriff's Department,
769-3063, or they may contact me
at the Jackson County Medical
Examiner's office, 938-5000,
Miller said.

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headlights while driving on Jan.
18 in recognition of Dr. Martin
Luther King Jr. in memory of his
many contributions toward
racial justice and equality,
Clark said.

CLARK AND Leon Wells,
SCLC president, are expected to
be at the coastwide celebrations
scheduled today at the
Mississippi Coast Coliseum and
Convention Center in Biloxi.

Activities will begin with a
video presentation from 1:30 un-
til 2:30 p.m. The presentation
also will be shown following the
main event.

Cong. Mike Espy will be the
keynote speaker for the program
that will start at 2:30 p.m.

Miss Mississippi, Toni
Seawright of Moss Point, and
Sayna Steele of Biloxi, Miss.

Pre-Teen Miss
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Bay Mission,
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Department of
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Point man dragged 50 feet after leaping from vehicle

A Moss Point man who leaped out of an automobile in which
he was a passenger during pre-dawn hours Saturday, was in
critical condition at Singing River Hospital Saturday night.

A hospital spokesman said Louvon Williams, 22, 4001
Charles St., was out of surgery but still in critical condition.

Moss Point police said driver Darren Jones, 23, 1105 Polk
Ave., Escatawpa, and other passengers in the automobile said
Williams was on the rear seat of the automobile when he
declared he wanted to get out of the automobile.

A female passenger in the front seat said she warned
Williams not to get out. He got out before Jones could bring it
to a stop. She said she locked the door to prevent Williams
from getting out, but he still managed to jump out.

Officer Gladys Lofton said people in the automobile said
Williams' foot caught a seatbelt as he jumped out. He was
dragged about 50 feet before Jones could bring the automobile
to a complete stop.

The incident occurred about 3:39 a.m. Saturday. Williams
was taken to Singing River Hospital by Amser.

lity. A woman walked into the office Monday and asked for the editor. She then bought a paper and found the back page editorial with our help, glanced at its lines and started for the door. Just before stepping onto Washington Avenue, she turned and yelled back at us, "You sure talk a lot to learn, buddy." She may not have known how right we were. Our appalling ignorance of all subjects at times, leaves me pretty discouraged. This is especially true of the Taxpayers' League and will continue to be until its leaders decide to give the public some information about its organization and membership. A man who stated he was Sgt. Wilson, came into the office Monday and asserted that he had lied about him in the taxpayers' article. We told him we didn't think so, that we believed our article was factual. He stated that he was not one of the organizers of the league. "Are you a member of the league," we asked, and he replied that he was. "Well, that's a distinction without a difference," was our remarking up of his objections. He left he remarked that he guessed that was what we had to do in order to operate a newspaper here." This seemed to us confirmation of basic thought in our editorial. Oh-hum, Yes—hot.

And no member of the big Mississippi Power Company family of electricity users was ever re-appreciative of their profits than this column when the lever came back on after some ten minutes, on that blistering, test day of the year. As the lever went alternately on and off that hottest of all Fridays, alternately loved them and—

set aside July 19th, a Friday, that big annual Shrimp and Lobster boil that the Kiwanis put on so successfully every year. Kets are a dollar and the money goes into the scholarship fund of the club, a most worthy cause.

The county board of supervisors took a long needed action last past week when they voted on the new law for the county. It may be years before the full effect of this action will be felt.

L. P. Sweatt, President of Mississippi Power Company said, "This plant is certainly concrete evidence of the faith we have in Mississippi's continuing economic progress. It is the third modern generating plant we have completed since early in 1945 providing a total of more than 300,000 horsepower of additional generating capacity. This marks the completion of more than two years of intensive construction work plus another year or more

but by designating its residential, farming and commercial areas now, while the county is growing, the board will dissipate lots of later headaches.

The architects for the proposed new school building are going to have a rough time with the city fathers. As alderman McPhearson stated, "backed up by full board approval, no gingerbread designs for this school." Plain design with emphasis on maximum class room space for the lowest cost, is the order of the day. Inflationary prices, the 15% ceiling on bond issues and the need of all the school possible for the money, is making for the strictest economy in construction design and cost.

After the meeting of the school board and the Board of Aldermen Friday night, it is probable that all of the details of the proposed bond issue, size of the issue, site of the school and all other details will become available to the voters. As soon as there is anything definite, we will carry the full story.

Mayor Champ Gay was absent from the city and Mayor pro tem Duncan Moran presided over the meeting of the Aldermen Wednesday. Present were Aldermen Men Park, McPhearson, Seymour and Turner.

John Sharp was telling about Uncle Deedy. Seems a visitor at dinner asked for a glass of milk. "Ain't got none," said Uncle Deedy, "fact is, ain't had none since the dog died. Ain't got no one to fetch the cow."

Yes—it's hot—too hot for this brand of corn.

located on the Lorraine Road approximately three miles north of Highway 90 and midway between Biloxi and Gulfport. It has a generating capacity of 100,000 horsepower. Natural gas is used as fuel for this plant.

Modern, in every respect, this plant uses steam at a temperature of 1,000 degrees with a pressure of 1875 pounds per square inch. The steam temperature is 100 degrees higher and the pressure twice as great as in the company's

height of approximately 140 feet and it is constructed of steel and concrete with outside walls of asbestos transite siding.

Boiler water, which must be chemically pure, is obtained from deep wells.

Cooling water for the condensers is obtained from the Biloxi River through an intake canal. This canal is 150 to 200 feet wide and varies in depth from 12 to 16 feet. With the plant operating at maximum capacity over eight

price of coal becomes competitive with natural gas. Coal could be barged from coal fields in Alabama or Kentucky directly to the plant.

Although the plant is now in commercial operation, a considerable amount of construction will be necessary during the next several months in order to complete it. This will include finishing floors and interior walls, insulation, clean-up and painting among other things.

Ernest Schmidt's Inventions Go All Over The World

Ocean Springs is the home of an industry, started in 1951 which is expanding and while it is not yet what its founder, Ernest Schmidt, calls a thriving business, it has shown a healthy growth although still in the promotional stage.

Few persons know that the Hydrolevel and the Leveleasy, inventions of Mr. Schmidt, carry the post mark of Ocean Springs to all parts of the world.

Since July 1, 1951, these instruments have been sold in all of the 48 states, Washington, D. C., Alaska, Hawaii and Puerto Rico. They have also gone to foreign countries including Canada, Cuba, Mexico, Honduras, Venezuela and Africa.

In addition to sales, there have

been inquiries from the following foreign countries concerning these instruments.

Tanganyika, Africa, Bahama Islands; Belgium; Bermuda; Canada; Cuba; Denmark; Republic of El Salvador; England; West Germany; Hawaii; Israel; Puerto Rico; Sweden; Venezuela; Virgin Islands and Tahiti.

Commendation of the Hydrolevel has come from close to home, the Ingalls Shipbuilding Corporation in the following letter from Robert H. Macy, technical assistant to the President; Mr. C. E. Schmidt

Hydrolevel
53 DeSoto Avenue
Ocean Springs, Mississippi
Dear Mr. Schmidt:

Your letter of February 1st,

requesting permission to mention us as a user of Hydrolevels, was very timely as I had just personally borrowed one of our Hydrolevels this weekend to level the foundation of an addition to my house. I found the device very helpful; in fact, the only feasible way I could accomplish what I was trying to do.

Likewise, we have been using the Hydrolevel at our plant continually and to great advantage in hull erection, and we find it not only to be accurate but a great labor saver as well.

We would be glad to have you refer to us in your advertising and I am attaching a brochure describing some of the ships that we built.

Very truly yours,
Robert H. Macy
Technical Assistant to the President

The Leveleasy is a simple water level combined with a reservoir for easier and more dependable operation. It saves time, saves money, labor and keeps a job moving. It is composed of 50 ft. of heavy tough vinyl tube .287" O. D. in a special aluminum container, 6 3/4" dia. by 3 3/4", for the tube stowage and reservoir. It is packed with a vial of color and complete instructions on various uses and advantages of reservoir leveling. No special liquid is required. It can be filled and ready for operation in about three minutes.

discussion of the school situation and there was some discussion which led to a closer agreement between the school board and the aldermen regarding the needs and purposes of the school program. Another meeting was set for Friday night, when it is anticipated all the pertinent matters pertaining to the bond issue that has been proposed, will be agreed upon and the machinery toward calling the bond issue will be started.

Soldier Held In Jackson County Burglar Cases

A soldier assigned to Keesler AFB was arrested in Biloxi Sunday night on three charges of burglary. Biloxi police made the arrest for Jackson County police officials.

Taken to Jackson county jail on the charges was Zane Smith, 24, attached to the 3385 Student Squadron, Keesler.

Detectives Leslie Montgomery and Louis Rosetti, who made the arrest, said that Smith admitted the burglaries in a signed statement. He was turned over to Deputy Sheriff Cecil Boyd following his arrest.

Byrd said that Smith was wanted for the robberies of Smith Bakery Company, Redmond's Package Store and Strakas Grocery, all of Jackson County.

The detectives arrested Smith about 11:15 p.m. at 1659 West Howard Ave.

Fleet Will Be Blessed On Sunday

There will be quite a celebration Sunday at Pascagoula when the Knights of Columbus of that city sponsor the second annual Blessing of The Fleet.

The ceremonies are going to be elaborate and the folk from Ocean Springs and this end of the county are cordially invited to attend.

Businessmen of Pascagoula and vicinity have joined in sponsoring a page advertisement in this issue

its stock immediately, the registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission having now taken effect, according to Alf Dantzler, Jr., Pascagoula, director in this area.

Owen Cooper, Chairman of the Board of Directors, was notified of the effective date of the registration statement at Yazoo City on Friday. Under the plans laid by the Board of Directors, the



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stock of this new corporation will be placed on the market immediately, through the officers and directors of the corporation, broker-dealers registered by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and employees of the company.

The First Mississippi Corporation was organized in the spring of this year by a group of business leaders of Mississippi to promote the industrial and business development of this area. It will be the purpose of this new company to bring together proven leadership to take advantage of the south's growth potential. It will also create a large pool of capital which will spread the investment to many projects.

extending an invitation to the folk here to attend the event.

This is an event that can be really built into quite an affair and every effort is being made by the K. of C. group to foster this program.

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